## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Attv. Dkt.: 871-103

Assistant Commissione for Batents .s. PTO Washington, D.C. 20231 Date: July 12, 2001 Sir: Attached for filing is the patent application of: Inventor: NATHAN et al. Entitled: METHOD OF COMMUNICATIONS FOR AN INTELLIGENT DIGITAL AUDIOVISUAL PLAYBACK SYSTEM and including attachments as noted below: Newly executed Declaration, \overline{\text{N}} Copy of Declaration from prior application, \overline{\text{N}} Abstract 30 pages of specification and claims (including 3 numbered claims), and sheets of accompanying drawing/s. Record the attached assignment and return to the undersigned. Attached is a Power of Attorney. Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on the following foreign applications: **Application Number** Country Day/Month/Year Filed FR 95/08392 France 11 July 1995 PCT/FR94/01185 10 December 94 , respectively, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.. Certified copy(ies) of foreign application(s) is/are attached. Certified copy(ies) filed on April 11, 1997 in prior appln. no. 08/817,528 August 5, 1997 Please amend the specification by inserting the following paragraph before the first line: -- This application claims the benefit of Provisional Application No. . filed the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application .--Please amend the specification by inserting the following paragraph before the first line: --This application is a  $\boxtimes$ continuation/ division/ continuation-in-part of Application No. 08/817,528, filed August 5, 1997, now pending, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.--Petition filed in prior application to extend its life to insure co-pendency. The prior application is assigned to TOUCHTUNES MUSIC CORPORATION. It is hereby requested that the Examiner consider the art cited in the parent application by applicant and/or the Examiner for the reasons stated therein. A listing of that art is attached. Applicant claims "small entity" status. "Small entity" statement attached. Please enter the attached and/or below preliminary amendment prior to calculation of filing fee: Also attached: Information Disclosure Statement; Information Request; Information Disclosure Statement; Info Amino Acid Sequence Submission; 

Statement deleting Inventor(s) named in prior application; 

Other: FILING FEE IS BASED ON CLAIMS AS FILED LESS ANY HEREWITH CANCELED Basic Filing Fee 710.00 \$ Total effective claims 3 - 20 (at least 20) = 0 x \$ 18.00 \$ 0.00 Independent claims 1 - 3 (at least 3) = 0 x\$ 80.00 \$ 0.00 If any proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$270.00 (ignore improper) 0.00 SUBTOTAL \$ 710.00 If "small entity," then enter half (1/2) of subtotal and subtract -\$( 0.00)SECOND SUBTOTAL \$ 710.00 Assignment Recording Fee (\$40.00) 0.00 TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED \$ 710.00 Any future submission requiring an extension of time is hereby stated to include a petition for such time extension. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached. 1100 North Glebe Road, 8th Floor **NIXON & VANDERHYE P.C.** Arlington, Virginia 22201-4714 By Atty: Joseph S. Presta, Reg. No. 35,329 Telephone: (703) 816-4000 Facsimile: (703) 816-4100 JSP:mg Signature: